

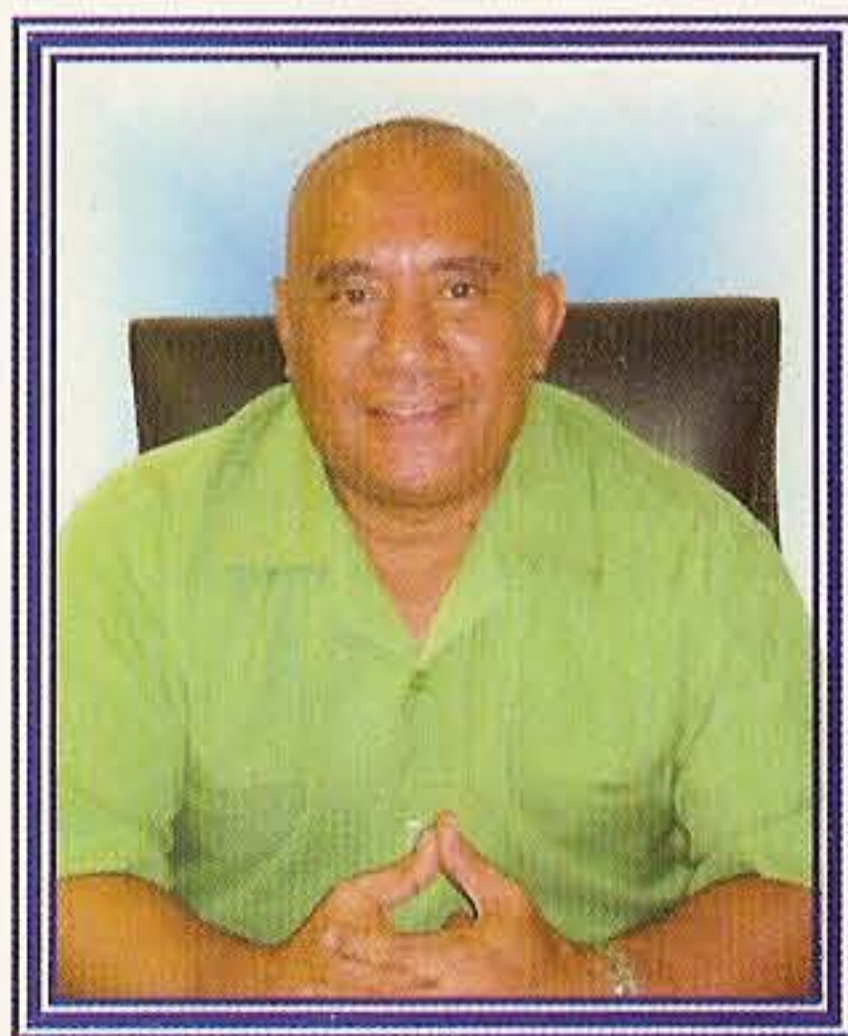


Director's Message

The American Samoa Environmental Protection Agency diligently strives to protect, preserve and restore our delicate natural environment. Our various programs carry out monitoring, testing, enforcement and education activities to ensure that socioeconomic development and sound environmental practices go hand-in-hand.

For information on what you can do to help, please feel free to contact our office at 633-2304.

Thank you!



Fanuatele Dr. To'afa Vaiaga'e
Director
American Samoa Environmental Protection Agency

Why We Do It

We all live in the environment.
Everyone has the right to clean air, water and soil.

And, it is the law!

Please do what you can to help protect our
environment and its resources.

Contact Us at (684)633-2304

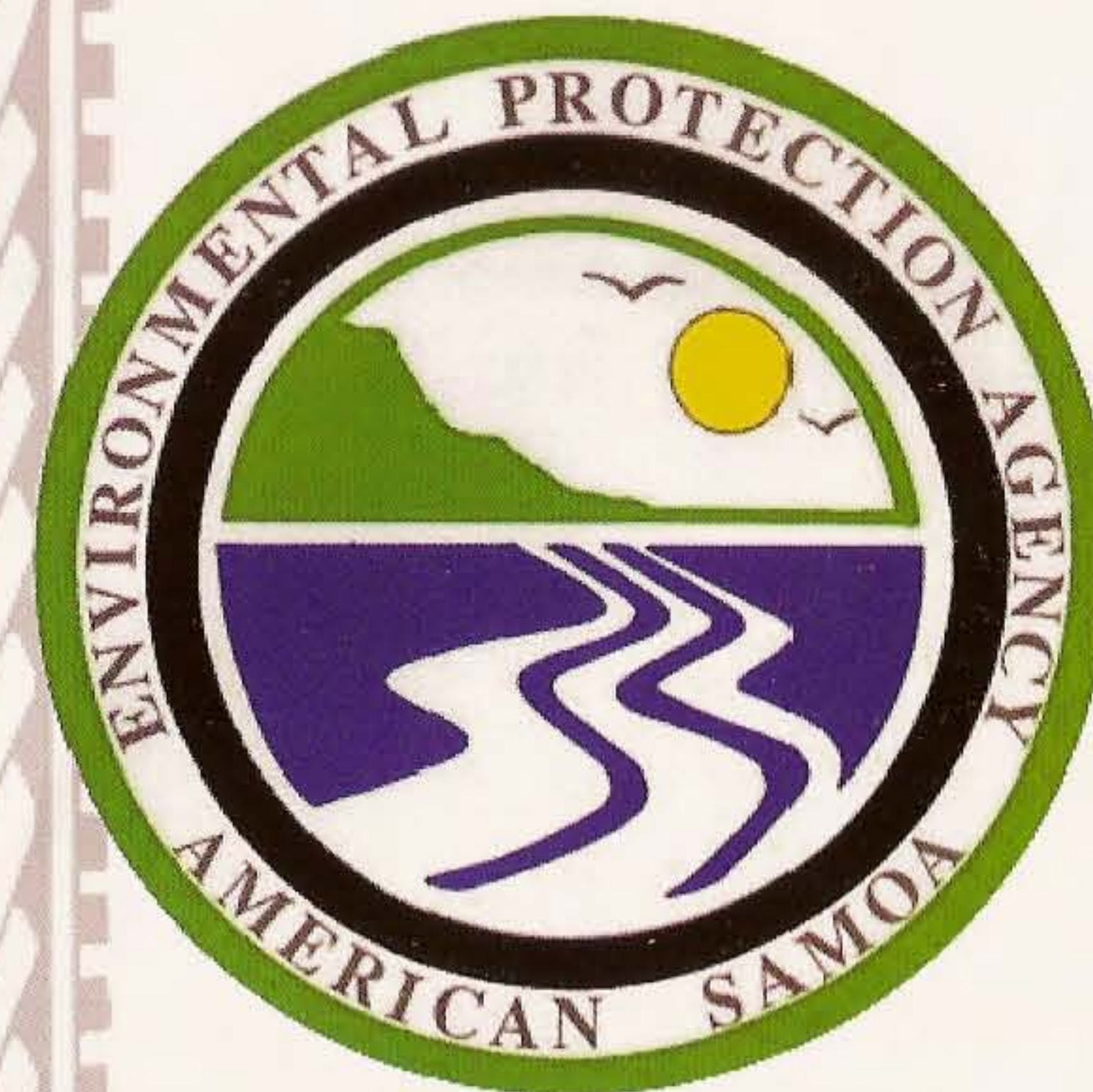
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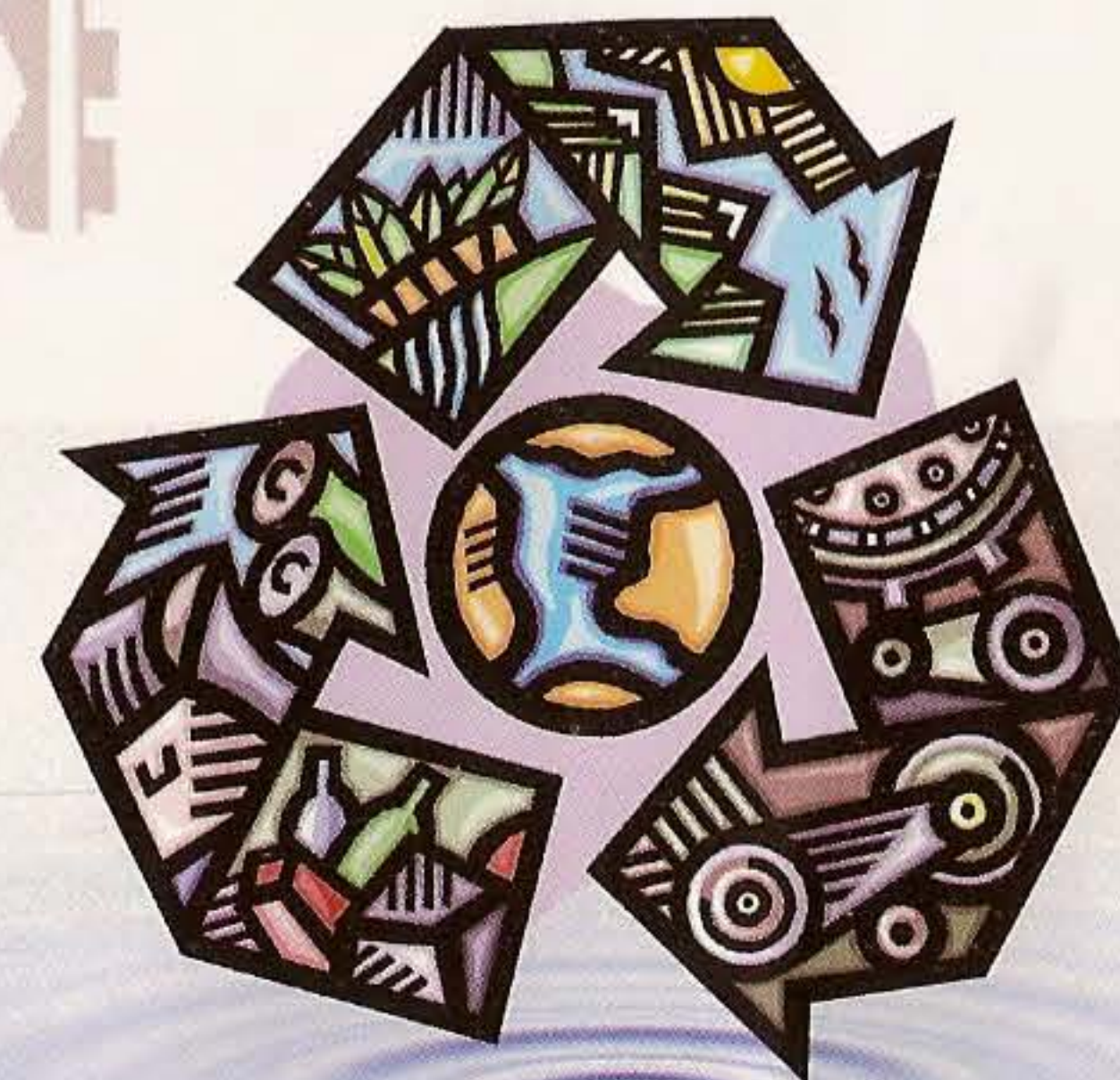
Make a Difference

Please pass this brochure on to a friend
and encourage them to read it.

**Together we can
PROTECT OUR
ENVIRONMENT!**



**Who We Are
What We Do
and
Why We Do It**



Who We Are & Why We Do It

Director: Fanuatele Dr. Toafa Vaiaga'e

MISSION STATEMENT

The mission of the American Samoa Environmental Protection Agency is to protect human health and to safeguard the natural environment: air, water and land, upon which all life depends.

This chart depicts each program under the ASEPA, along with their Branches and the respective objectives of each:

A.S.E.P.A. Programs & Their Respective Branches

Administration

- Works to ensure effective daily office operations: administrative services, budgetary development and reporting, manage grant and personnel files, prepare travel authorizations, procurement and maintenance of office supplies and equipment

Air & Land Program

Air Branch

Works to prevent the degradation of air and water resources and protect human health by regulating sources of industrial air pollution

Hazardous Materials Branch

Works to prevent the degradation of soil and water resources and protect human health by ensuring that hazardous materials are properly stored, handled and disposed

Solid Waste Branch

Works to prevent the degradation of soil and water resources by conducting routine and for cause inspections of villages and private property to identify illegal accumulations of solid waste

Education & Awareness Program

- Works to promote watershed protection and conservation through Environmental Education and Awareness Programs
- Support ASEPA Programs through dissemination of environmental information to the public

Technical Services Program

- Works to provide technical information and assistance to ASEPA Programs and ASG Departments
- Design and implement environmental studies
- Improve Project Review and Notification System (PNRS) Board function and effectiveness
- Provide guidance for compliance with land use regulations

Water Program

Safe Drinking Water Branch

Works to ensure that the public water supply is safe to drink by enforcing American Samoa's Safe Drinking Water Regulations

Water Quality Branch

Works to prevent the degradation of water resources and protect human health by determining sources of contamination to streams, wetlands and coastal waters and reducing polluted runoff from these sources

Laboratory

Carries out regular testing for bacterial contamination in drinking water, streams and coastal waters

Education

Enforcement

Water Quality

